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THINK FOOD

School Nutrition Programs

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CONGRATULATIONS TO MISSOULA DETENTION CENTER

Jean Kuntz and her staff were recently honored with the "Seal of Approval" award. The award was given by the Missoula City-County Health Department. The center applied for the award early in 2006 and has satisfied the conditions set forth in the criteria of the Exemplary Food Program. The Missoula Detention Center is the only establishment in Missoula County that has received this award. The center's NSLP (National School Lunch Program) serves approximately 13 meals three times a day along with the 350-400 other clients that are served as well. Congratulations for a job well done!

COMMODITIES

Attached is a list of commodities that are still available. Fax your request for any additional items to

(406) 444-2955. Deadline for ordering frozen items is **January 12, 2007**. Only faxes will be accepted; no telephone calls please.

HAVE YOU BEEN TO A HACCP TRAINING?

Under the direction of the 2004 Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act, all school food service programs are required to implement a food safety Hazard Analysis of Critical Control Points (HACCP) plan by the end of the 2005-06 school year.

There have been 279 food service employees or 73 percent of school staff that have participated in the HACCP training program this year. If you have not attended a training session and would like to, Team Nutrition will be offering the class again in early 2007. Watch for details from Team Nutrition.

"It is the mission of the Office of Public Instruction to improve teaching and learning through communication, collaboration, advocacy, and accountability to those we serve."

The HACCP Web site contains information for developing a school food safety plan and can be found at www.opi.mt.gov/schoolfood/HACCP.html

NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK

The theme for this year's National School Breakfast Week is "Breakfast around the World" and is set for March 5-9, 2007. Watch for more information from Team Nutrition.



2007-08 COMMODITY ORDERS

The time is almost upon us to start placing our commodity orders for next year. Watch for the order form on our Web site in January. The deadline for placing orders will be February 28, 2007.

SHIPMENT SCHEDULE CHANGE

Due to some schools returning from the holiday break on January 8, 2007, the shipping schedule has been changed to the following:

Shipment #7 - January 8, 2007
Shipment #8 - January 29, 2007
Shipment #9 - February 19, 2007
Shipment #10 - March 12, 2007

This will also allow extra time for USDA shipments to arrive in our Helena warehouse.

TUNA RECIPE

Simple Tuna Melt

1 (6 oz) can water packed tuna, drained & flaked
2 tablespoons low fat mayonnaise
1 pinch salt
1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
2 slices whole wheat bread
2 teaspoons chopped dill pickle
¼ cup shredded reduced fat sharp cheddar cheese



1. Preheat oven to 375° F (190° C). Place bread slices in the oven to toast while it preheats, and while you make tuna salad.

2. In a small bowl, mix together the tuna, mayonnaise, salt, balsamic vinegar, mustard and dill pickle until well blended. Remove bread from the oven, and pile tuna mixture onto one slice. Sprinkle cheese over the other slice of bread.

3. Bake for 7 minutes in the preheated oven or until cheese is melted and tuna is heated through. Place the cheese side of the sandwich on top of the tuna side. Cut in half and serve immediately.

LEFTOVER COMMODITIES

School Year 2006-07

Tomato Sauce
Pinto Beans
Tuna
Peanut Butter
Rotini
Spaghetti
LSF Soybean Oil
Veggie Beans
Whole Wheat Flour
Macaroni
Oats
Rice, Parboiled
Shortening
Fruit & Nut Mix (Trail Mix)

Roasted Oven-Ready Chicken Parts was inadvertently left off of the order form. There are 177 cases still available.

Please fax your requests to (406) 444-2955 by January 12, 2007, for the frozen items in order to get them on the last frozen shipment.